



# CHRIST OVERFLOWING

## How Christ Can Bless Your Relationships

*Colossians 3:18-4:1*

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1. Read Colossians 3:18. When you read this, how does this make you feel? Why do you think this is so? Do you believe that this instruction to wives is outdated, or do you think it is timeless? What would a wife submitting to her husband look like? What would it not look like?
2. Read Colossians 3:19. Why do husbands need to be instructed to love their wives? Why don't wives need the same instruction? Why do you believe husbands need to be instructed not to be bitter? How can bitterness in a marriage harm it?
3. In Colossians 3:22-25, we read instructions given to Christians who are slaves. They are told to "obey your masters in everything." What is the closest equivalent we have today that might loosely correspond to the relationship between a slave and his master? According to these verses, what is the reason given to obey the person in a position of greater authority?
4. Read Colossians 4:1. What is the difference between being "just" and being "fair?" What is the reason given to masters to treat their slaves right? What might our Master do to us if we mistreat those under our authority?

### **Colossians 3:18-4:1**

*3:18 Wives, submit yourselves to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. 19 Husbands, love your wives and don't be bitter toward them. 20 Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. 21 Fathers, do not exasperate your children, so that they won't become discouraged. 22 Slaves, obey your human masters in everything. Don't work only while being watched, as people-pleasers, but work wholeheartedly, fearing the Lord. 23 Whatever you do, do it from the heart, as something done for the Lord and not for people, 24 knowing that you will receive the reward of an inheritance from the Lord. You serve the Lord Christ. 25 For the wrongdoer will be paid back for whatever wrong he has done, and there is no favoritism. 4:1 Masters, deal with your slaves justly and fairly, since you know that you too have a Master in heaven.*

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